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PEABODY, KANSAS,
TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 20, 1885, 7:30 P. M.

The Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Kansas Synod met in the Lutheran church of Peabody, Kansas.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. M. F. Troxell, acting President, from the text: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. vii. 20.

FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21, 1885, 9 A. M.

Synod met, and was opened by President M. F. Troxell with reading of Scripture and prayer.

Rev. J. A. Lowe was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

The clerical roll was called, and absentees noted.

Credentials of lay delegates were received, and their names enrolled.

Letters were read dismissing clergymen from other Synods to this Synod, as follows: Rev. B. F. Hills, from the Iowa Synod;

Rev. J. P. Schnure, from Northern Illinois Synod; Rev. A. M. Geiger, from East Ohio Synod; Rev. F. D. Altman, from Miami Synod; Rev. G. D. Gotwald, from West Pennsylvania Synod.

These brethren were cordially received, and their names enrolled.

Clerical Roll.

No.	Name.	Post Office.	Date of Licensure.
1.	Rev. Reuben R. Weiser, D. D. (*a. e.*).	Denver, Col.	1832
2.	Rev. Chas. Martin, M. D. (*a. e.*)	St. Joseph, Mo.	1835
3.	Rev. D. S. Altman. (*a. e.*)	Ottawa, Kan.	1845
4.	Rev. C. Young. (*a. e.*)	Salina, Kan	1846
5.	Rev. J. Schauer.	Greenleaf, Kan.	1848
6.	Rev. D. Harbaugh	Waterville, Kan	1849
7.	Rev. L. C. Groseclose. (*a. e.*)	Eureka, Kan	1849
8.	Rev. W. I. Cutter. (*a.*)	Atchison, Kan.	1850
9.	Rev. F. R. Scherer	Waterville, Kan	1850
10.	Rev. S. Henry	Ottawa, Kan	1850
11.	Rev. J. B. McAfee. (*a. e.*)	Topeka, Kan	1854
12.	Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D.	Abilene, Kan	1854
13.	Rev. A. B. Kirtland	New Cambria, Kan.	1857
14.	Rev. S. P. Harrington	Abilene, Kan	1857
15.	Rev. J. B. Corbett (*a.*)	Bunker Hill, Kan	
16.	Rev. H. Acker	Annelly, Kan	1858
17.	Rev. Henry Heigard. (*a. e.*)	Effingham, Kan	1858
18.	Rev. I. J. Delo.	Lawrence, Kan	1858
19.	Rev. B. F. Hills	Dillon, Kan	1854
20.	Rev. A. M. Geiger	Valley Falls, Kan	1859
21.	Rev. J. P. Schnure	Morrill, Kan.	1863
22.	Rev. A. J. Hesson.	Newton, Kan	1867
23.	Rev. A. J. Hartsock. (*a. e.*)	McPherson, Kan	1867
24.	Rev. E. J. Keplinger. (*a.*)	Valley Falls, Kan	1867
25.	Rev. H. B. Belmer	Peabody, Kan	1867
26.	Rev. T. F. Dornblaser.	Topeka, Kan	1871
27.	Rev. E. S. Rees	Sabetha, Kan	1871
28.	Rev. W. C. Seidel	Minneapolis, Kan.	1872
29.	Rev. J. A. Bright.	Ellsworth, Kan	1873
30.	Rev. D. Scholl	Wellsville, Kan	1859
31.	Rev. P. A. Heilman.	Denver, Col.	1876
32.	Rev. J. A. Lowe	Waterville, Kan	1876
33.	Rev. Geo. Sanderson. (*a. e.*)	Kansas City, Mo.	1876
34.	Rev. J. M. Cromer	Kansas City, Mo.	1876
35.	Rev. Robert A. White. (*a. e.*)	Selinsgrove, Pa	1880
36.	Rev. R. F. Hassinger. (*a. e.*)	Beaver Springs, Pa.	
37.	Rev. H. M. Lentz	—— Col.	1880
38.	Rev. Geo. S. Diven	Atchison, Kan.	1881
39.	Rev. J. E. Maurer. (*a. e.*)	Hardy, Neb.	1882
40.	Rev. M. F. Troxell	Kansas City, Mo.	1882
41.	Rev. F. D. Altman	Emporia, Kan.	1882
42.	Rev. N. A. Whitman. (*a. e.*)	Chapman, Kan.	
43.	Rev. G. D. Gotwald.	Salina, Kan	1884
44.	Rev. M. F. Rinker. (*l.*)	Emporia, Kan.	1885

(*a.*) Absent. (*a. e.*) Absent and excused. (*l.*) Licentiate.

Lay Delegates.

1. Robert Ladwig, Brenner, Kan.
2. William Lescher, Lawrence, Kan.
3. C. S. Funk, Peabody, Kan.
4. M. L. Bell, Topeka, Kan.
5. Daniel Dornblaser, Valley Falls, Kan.
6. A. J. Johnson (*a.*), Minneapolis, Kan.
7. Henry Brenner, Waterville, Kan.
8. S. C. Chatham, Atchison, Kan.
9. E. P. Briggs, Kansas City (Memorial), Mo.
10. F. A. Smith, Salina, Kan.
11. W. W. Kremmer, Emporia, Kan.
12. Abram Lesher, Abilene, Kan.
13. W. H. H. Barger, Eureka, Kan.

(*a.*) Absent.

Rev. M. F. Troxell read the following report, which was, by motion, referred to Committee No. 1.

President's Report.

Fathers and Brethren: Grace, mercy, and peace, in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

By reason of the removal from our bounds of our worthy and beloved President, the Rev. A. J. Kissell, and by virtue of our formula of church government, the necessity has been laid upon your Secretary of preparing the usual official report to be made at this period of our annual Synodical Convention. The revolving cycle has left along the way of its going many changes. Some have come, some have gone. Yet the work goes on.

Among the changes that have taken place, beside the removal of our President into the territory of a sister Synod, we remember that the death-angel has come with his sharpened sickle and gathered some ripened grain for the garner of God. On the last Sabbath of the year 1884, Rev. Abraham A. Trimper died at Lawrence, Kansas, full of years and strong in the faith. September 13th, at Abilene, Kansas, the wife of Rev. S. P. Harrington passed away, after great patience in suffering. To those who remain, to whom these lives were precious, Synod will extend the sympathy of hearts that are warmed by the love of Him who bears with us our griefs and who carries for us our sorrows.

Herewith is submitted the record of the official acts of Synod's officers during the past year, and such other items as should be brought to your notice, in a brief review of the field of our labors.

RESIGNATIONS AND DISMISSALS.

November 1st, 1884, Rev. J. Schauer resigned the Greenleaf pastorate, which has since been supplied at intervals only.

March 1st, 1885, Rev. A. J. Kissell resigned his charge at Salina, and on May 14th, assigned the keys of his office as President of Synod to the Secretary.

September 16th, a letter was received from Rev. H. M. Lentz stating that he had resigned the Eureka charge, to take effect December 1st.

By error of omission in last year's report, it should here be stated that Rev. H. F. Long was dismissed, April 30th, 1884, to the Central Pennsylvania Synod.

May 22d, 1885, a letter of dismissal was issued to Rev. J. A. Hartman, to the Synod of West Pennsylvania.

June 29th, a letter of dismissal was issued to Rev. A. J. Kissell, to the Synod of Iowa.

CALLS ACCEPTED AND MEMBERS RECEIVED.

December 1st, 1884, Rev. N. A. Whitman took charge of the Ebenezer pastorate, Dickinson county, Kansas.

January 1st, Rev. J. E. Maurer took charge of the Hardy, Neb., pastorate.

May 26th, Rev. F. D. Altman, by appointment of the Board of Home Missions, assumed charge of the Emporia mission. June 30th his letter of dismissal from Miami Synod was received.

Rev. G. D. Gotwald accepted a call from the Salina congregation, to date from July 1st, and will apply for admission to Synod during this convention.

August 7th, a letter from Rev B. F. Hills, accompanied by a letter of dismissal from the Iowa Synod, was received, stating that he had taken charge of Mt. Zion charge, Dickinson county, Kansas, and asking for membership in this body.

September 7th, a letter was received from Rev. A. M. Geiger, saying that he had taken charge of the mission at Valley Falls. He sent letter of dismissal from East Ohio Synod and applies for membership in this body.

September 30th, a letter of dismissal from the Synod of Northern Illinois was received from Rev. J. P. Schnure, who had taken charge of the Morrill pastorate, and who applies for membership in this body.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS, NEW CHURCHES, AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Rev. S. Henry organized the Ottawa mission in December last with twenty-five members. The work has grown, and the people are now rejoicing in their own church home, the corner-stone being laid and church built during the summer, and dedicated October 4th.

Rev. F. D. Altman organized the Emporia mission in June last with twenty-two members. The work is growing, and commendable steps have been taken to secure their own house of worship.

Rev. A. M. Geiger organized at Valley Falls in September, with forty-two souls.

Rev. G. S. Diven has revived the work at Atchison during the last year, and that field is now growing in numbers and influence.

The Peabody church, where we now hold our convention, after extensive repairs was re-dedicated March 29th, 1885.

The church at Lawrence was very tastefully repaired, and re-opened in May last.

July 26th, a new church at Waterville, was solemnly dedicated to the service of God.

October 4th, the corner-stone of a church at Minneapolis was laid, and Rev. W. C. Seidel is to be earnestly congratulated in seeing the fruits of his labors in this field now so successfully maturing.

The chapel of the Children's Memorial, of Kansas City, is rapidly nearing completion, and will be opened and dedicated November 8th, next.

The Salina church, after becoming self-sustaining in September last, is now being repaired and beautified. Both pastor and people are to be congratulated upon their successful efforts.

The noble women of the church are building another house to the Lord, for our mission in Denver. Right worthily are they responding to the appeals of Rev. P. A. Heilman, whose well-pointed efforts, coupled with faith in God, must bring the victory. But the struggle is hard. Let the women of Kansas Synod help their neighboring mission early and liberally. On October 4th the corner-stone of this mission's church building was laid, Rev. G. P. Hays, of the Presbyterian church, preaching the sermon.

VACANCIES.

There are now vacant Greenleaf, Bunker Hill, Hays City, Ellsworth, Americus, and Halstead. The first four named points should have pastors soon. As to the two last named no information could be obtained. Are they living?

NEW POINTS.

Our church would seem to have a field in the towns of Wichita, Wellington, Arkansas City, Winfield and Independence, in Southern Kansas. By occupying these settled, prosperous towns at an early day, a wide door of future usefulness and helpfulness would, without doubt, swing open before the Lutheran church. Cannot Synod make an aggressive movement along the southern Kansas line of live towns?

LETTERS AND MISCELLANY.

July 31st, a letter was received from the chairman of the Examining Committee regarding the support of Shelton Chatham, of Atchison, as a student for the ministry. Reply was made advising the applicant to present himself before this convention of Synod, for examination and personal consideration.

September 18th, a letter was received from M. F. Rinker, of Emporia, saying that he would apply to the Synod for license to preach the gospel at this session. He was referred to the Examining Committee.

September 30th, a letter was received from Rev. J. P. Schnure, stating that he would make application at this convention for the restoration of E. S. Rees, to his former place on the ministerial roll.

October 5th, a letter was received from Rev. R. F. Hassinger, asking for a letter of dismissal. As he did not state to what Synod, it was not granted. He asks the privilege of having his address changed on the Synod roll to his present post-office in Pennsylvania.

We do well to note that many of our mission stations were strengthened and blessed during the past summer by the tour of visitation made by the President and the two Secretaries of the Board of Home Missions. At the same time we also note that we may confidently expect a brother missionary from the India foreign field to take part in the proceedings of our present convention, and afterwards to visit many places in our territory.

To the labors and the fraternal greetings and joys of this convention we now turn. Coming together once again, from the fields of toil and our trial, of sacrifice and of triumph, let us come to a new consecration, and for a fresh, gracious outpouring of the Holy Ghost, in whose power we may be made strong for our work and by whose Spirit alone we shall all be made one in aim and purpose.

The past year has been marked, we find, in reviewing the fields which compose the Synods' territory, not so much by aggressive advance as by a steady strengthening of the stakes already set. It is a wise policy that follows sowing and planting with watering and tending; so that growth may be healthy, and that a fruitful maturity may result.

With this ground of increasing strength upon which to stand as a basis for observation, we shall not be true to our Lord if we do not also look out upon the fields set before our eyes, and do what we can to enter and to occupy. "The field is the world." Until, then, we reach the world's rim, our work must never cease. The greatness of the work appeals to the soul until is felt the everlasting arm let down from heaven. The importance of the work calls for a deep, abiding spirit of consecration—such a spirit as Paul's when he wrote, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Shall not this be the spirit this eighteenth convention of the Synod of Kansas? Respectfully submitted,

M. F. TROXELL,
Secretary and Acting President.

Election of Officers.

Rev. Geo. S. Diven and Dr. J. E. Tressler were appointed as tellers. They reported the following result:

President, Rev. M. F. Troxell.

Secretary, Rev. J. A. Lowe.

Treasurer, Dr. J. E. Tressler.

Rev. S. D. Storrs, Congregational minister, and state agent of the American Bible Society was presented to Synod and spoke in behalf of his work.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure of the progress of the work of the American Bible Society in this State, and the good accomplished by it, and recognize in it a helpmeet in our work, and welcome our brother S. D. Storrs, and promise him any help and encouragement in our power.

On motion, the minutes of the last convention of Synod were referred to committee.

The hours of meeting and adjournment for this Convention of Synod were appointed as follows:

Devotional Services, 8:45 a. m.

Business sessions open 9:15 a. m. and 2 p. m.

Adjournments, 11:45 a. m. and 5 p. m.

Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

On motion, the following brethren were appointed to report the proceedings of this Synod to the press:

Rev. I. J. Delo, to the *Lutheran Observer*.

Rev. P. A. Heilman, to the *Lutheran Evangelist* and to the Associated Press.

Rev. J. M. Cromer, to the Kansas City *Journal*.

Rev. Geo. S. Diven, to the Atchison *Champion*.

Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, to the Topeka *Capital*.

Rev. F. D. Altman, to the Emporia *Republican*.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Schauer.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1885, 2 P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. P. A. Heilman.

Committees.

The President appointed the following committees:

No. 1. *President's Report*—Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., Rev. A. J. Hesson, and M. L. Bell.

No. 2. *Treasurer's Report*—Rev. D. Harbaugh, Messrs. Briggs and Barger.

No. 3. *Admission of Churches*—Revs. J. Schauer, Geo. S. Diven, and D. Scholl.

No. 4. *Correspondence*—Rev. S. Henry, Rev. H. B. Belmer, and Wm. Lescher.

No. 5. *Apportionment*—Rev. W. C. Seidel, Rev. P. A. Heilman, and H. Brenner.

No. 6. *Leave of Absence*—Rev. J. M. Cromer, Rev. F. R. Scherer, and S. C. Chatham.

No. 7. *Parochial Reports*—Rev. F. D. Altman, Rev. A. J. Hesson, and A. J. Johnson.

No. 8. *Devotional Exercises*—Rev. H. B. Belmer, Rev. M. F. Troxell, and Dr. J. E. Tressler.

No. 9. *Resolutions*—Revs. T. F. Dornblaser, J. E. Maurer, and F. R. Scherer.

No. 10. *Literature*—Revs. A. M. Geiger, J. P. Schnure and J. A. Lowe.

No. 11. *Vacant Churches*—Revs. P. A. Heilman, G. A. Bowers, D. D., and G. D. Gotwald.

No. 12. *Minutes of Last Meeting*—Revs. Geo. S. Diven, B. F. Hills, and S. P. Harrington.

No. 13. *Synodical Calendar*—Revs. I. J. Delo, H. Acker, and J. M. Cromer.

No. 14. *State of Religion*—Rev. J. P. Schnure, Rev. A. B. Kirtland, and Robt. Ladwig.

No. 15—Revs. T. F. Dornblaser, J. P. Schnure, and F. D. Altman.

Parochial reports and reports on the state of religion were read and referred to the proper committees.

Treasurer's report was read and referred to committee.

Report of Committee on Revision of Constitution.

Committee on Revision of the Synod's Constitution offered the following report:

Your Committee would respectfully report that we have taken the constitution framed by the General Synod for district synods, and published in the Book of Worship. We have made only such changes and additions as seemed necessary to adapt it to our use. This seemed to us the best course, both for the sake of uniformity, and because we would gladly acknowledge the wisdom of the General Synod superior to our own. The provisions of this constitution are no doubt the result of the experience and wisdom of the oldest and largest Synods, and will be a safe guide for us.

J. M. CROMER,
H. B. BELMER.

On motion, this report was made the first order of the next session of Synod.

Report of Delegates to General Synod.

Delegates to the General Synod, convened in Harrisburg, Pa., May 27th, 1885, gave the following report, which was on motion adopted.

To the President and Brethren of the Synod of Kansas.

Beloved Brethren: Your delegates who were duly elected to represent the Kansas Synod at the meeting of the General Synod, convened in Harrisburg, Pa., May 27th, 1885, would respectfully report that they performed the duty assigned them to the best of their ability.

All your delegates were in attendance at the Synod, except Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D.

The clerical delegates present were T. F. Dornblaser, M. F. Troxell, J. A. Lowe and W. C. Seidel. The Lay Delegates were H. F. Rizer, Esq., Col. F. S. Stumbaugh, Hon. G. W. Householder, J. E. Tressler, M. D., and Mr. A. L. Selig.

The reports of the various Boards were very encouraging.

Total receipts for the two years preceding April 1st, 1885, are as follows:

By the Board of Home Missions	$54,311 33
By the Board of Foreign Missions	70,304 19
By the Board of Church Extension	77,806 92
Amount of Sales by Publication House	47,250 60

Of these reports the most remarkable is that of Church Extension, which compares most favorably with the former report of this same Board, in 1883, which was only $28,657.66, but little more than one-third of the last report. All questions pertaining to the welfare of our Zion were considered in their accustomed routine.

The report of a joint committee from the General Synod, the General Synod South, and the General Council, presenting a *Common Order of Service* for the use of all English-speaking Lutheran Churches, was discussed at some length with spirit and thoroughness, and when submitted to a vote of the Synod, was adopted unanimously.

On Monday evening at the close of the anniversary exercises of the Publication Society, the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Rev. J. W. Richard, at the solicitation of the Kansas delegation, made an appeal for the Children's Memorial in Kansas City, seconded by the President of the General Synod, Rev. M. Rhodes, D. D., who conducted the effort of solicitation, which netted in cash and subscriptions the sum of $855.00.

Another very agreeable feature of the convention was that the receipts of the General Synod Treasurer were more than sufficient to meet the travelling expenses of all the delegates. The otherwise heavy expenses of the Kansas delegation were greatly reduced by the low rates secured through the German Baptist Excursion to Mexico, Pa., and return.

In conclusion your delegation would call the attention of this Synod to the sums apportioned to be raised by the Kansas Synod annually, for the following benevolent objects, during the two years, beginning April 1st, 1886:

Home Missions	$280 00
Foreign Missions	280 00
Church Extension	265 00
General Synod Treasury	16 00
Total	$841 00

In no way shall we better prove our loyalty to the General Synod than by making a diligent effort to secure these amounts called for by the Church.

Your delegation express themselves as highly gratified with the harmony and Christian spirit which pervaded all the sessions of the largest convention of the General Synod ever held since its organization.

Cherishing the sweet memory of greeting of our brethren of the same household of faith, and recalling with lively pleasure the delightful excursion to the battle-field of Gettysburg, and to the Indian School at Carlisle, we now return to you the commission we received at your hands, in connection with which the above report is respectfully submitted.

T. F. DORNBLASER,
M. F. TROXELL,
J. A. LOWE,
W. C. SEIDEL,
J. E. TRESSLER.

Report of Committee No. 4—On Correspondence.

Committee No. 4 submitted the following report, which was received and considered seriatim:

1. The package handed us contains several letters from absent brethren: Rev. Charles Martin, M. D.; D. S. Altman, containing $5.00; Rev. N. A. Whitman, Rev. H. Heigard, containing $5.00, and from Rev. R. Weiser. Your Committee would recommend that these brethren be excused.

Adopted.

2. Two letters from Rev. R. F. Hassinger, which ought to be read before Synod to have their contents fully understood.

On motion, the letters were read, the brother's request was granted, and the Treasurer of Synod directed to write him a letter of explanation.

3. A letter from Rev. W. I. Cutter, concerning the action of Synod at last meeting.

On motion, time of session was extended in order to hear the letter.

The letter was read as recommended, and on motion, was re-

ferred to special committee, consisting of Revs. W. C. Seidel, P. A. Heilman, and T. F. Dornblaser.

4. The package concerning Carthage College was referred to special committee, consisting of Revs. T. F. Dornblaser, A. M. Geiger, and F. D. Altman.

5. A letter from Rev. P. A. Heilman, appealing to the Synod for help in establishing his church in Denver. His letter, if read will give a better idea of his present condition and wants than any report which we can give.

The letter was read, and, on motion, referred to Committee on Resolutions.

S. HENRY,
H. B. BELMER.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. D. Scholl.

THIRD SESSION.

OCTOBER 22, 1885, 9:15 A. M.

Devotional exercises of one-half hour, conducted by Rev. J. M. Cromer.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. F. R. Scherer.

Report of Committee on Correspondence continued. (See above.)

Report of Committee on Revision of Synod's Constitution was taken up and, on motion, considered item by item.

On motion Rev. E. D. Walker, pastor of Presbyterian Church of Peabody, was presented and received as corresponding member of Synod.

On motion, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. D. Walker.

FOURTH SESSION.

OCTOBER 22, 1885, 2 P. M.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. M. Lentz.

On motion, Rev. L. L. Uhl was received as advisory member

of this Synod. He spoke of his work, and uttered words of loving sympathy; he also offered greetings of the Board of Foreign Missions. His paper was referred to a committee consisting of Revs. J. M. Cromer and J. P. Schnure, and W. H. H. Barger.

On motion, a committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. Heilman, Harrington and Harbaugh, to draft suitable resolutions on Temperance and the Sabbath Day.

The Committee on Revision of the Constitution finished the reading of their report for adoption seriatim.

Each item was adopted.

A motion to adopt it as a whole was lost, but re-considered. (See below.)

Report of Committee No. 12.

Report of Committee No. 12 was offered, and considered item by item.

Item 1. Answered by Rev. M. F. Troxell, that he had received money for the Children's Memorial of Kansas City, from a large number of the Sunday-schools of the Kansas Synod.

Item 2. Answered by Rev. D. Harbaugh, that he has done some statistical and historical work, and finds the work great.

Item 3. Robert A. White, beneficiary student, lacks about $75 of having received the amount pledged him. This will be immediately forwarded him.

Item 4. No collections have been lifted for the A. E. L. I. M. S.

Item 5. The committee on conference in regard to the subject of Theological Seminary was continued.

GEO. S. DIVEN,
B. F. HILLS,
S. P. HARRINGTON.

Report was adopted as a whole.

Report of Committee No. 1.

The document committed to us is the President's report.

This is an interesting and meritorious paper, exceedingly creditable alike to the head and the heart of its author. Its beautiful reference to our dead who have departed during the Synodical year is so pathetic and tender as to supersede the necessity of our recommending any additional minute on that subject by the Synod.

As all the topics of the report will come to the notice of the Synod through the reports of the regular committees in those departments of our work, we deem it neither courteous nor necessary to invade their domain or to anticipate their reports.

Your committee recommend that the official acts of the President be hereby declared approved and ratified by the Synod, and that its appreciative

gratitude be hereby expressed to the President for the very efficient manner in which he has discharged the onerous double duty of Secretary and acting President during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. BOWERS,
A. J. HESSON,
M. L. BELL.

On motion the report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Synodical Calendar was heard and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 15.

Your Committee to whom was refered the application for the restoration of Rev. E. S. Rees' name upon the clerical roll of Synod, would respectfully submit the following:

Resolved, That this Synod having heard the petition of the council and pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church of Brown county, Kansas, explaining satisfactorily the repeated absence of Rev. E. S. Rees from the meetings of Synod, for which his name was dropped in accordance with a standing resolution calling for the dropping of the name of any minister from the roll of Synod who is absent from three successive meetings of the Synod without rendering a valid excuse; therefore,

Resolved, That since no charges have been presented affecting the moral character of Rev. E. S. Rees, we do hereby instruct the Secretary of Synod to restore his name to its proper place on the Roll.

T. F. DORNBLASER,
J. P. SCHNURE,
F. D. ALTMAN.

Adopted.

FIFTH SESSION.

OCTOBER 23, 1885, 9:15 A. M.

Synod, after one-half hour of devotional exercises led by Rev. F. D. Altman, opened with prayer by Rev. A. M. Geiger.

Roll was called and corrected, and minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion, Revs. J. B. McAfee and Geo. Sanderson were excused from attendance at this convention of Synod.

On motion, Synod appointed the hour of 10 a. m. for adjournment to meet with the ladies of the Woman's Home and Foreign

Missionary Society of Kansas Synod, in their convention, and Rev. M. F. Troxell, President, was appointed to convey to them the Synod's greeting.

On motion, 10 or 15 pages were cheerfully granted to the Woman's Convention, in our printed minutes, for the printing of their minutes.

United Presbyterian.

A telegram was read bearing the greetings of the United Presbyterian Synod, in convention at Arkansas City, Kansas, referring to Heb. xiii. 20 and 21.

On motion, the President was directed to return our reciprocal greetings, who did so, referring to Eph. ii. 18, 22.

Adjournment at 10 a. m.

Led in prayer by Rev. A. J. Hesson.

SIXTH SESSION.

11:10 A. M.

Synod called to order by the President, and opened with prayer by Rev. Geo. S. Diven.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions offer the following:

I. CHURCH EXTENSION.

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod has learned with great gratification, of the very encouraging report of the Church Extension Board at the last meeting of the General Synod,—the total receipts aggregating for two years $77,806.92, over $50,000 more than any former report of this Board.

2. *Resolved*, That we recognize the increasing importance of this branch of our Church's work, and that it may continue to prosecute its work as the handmaid of Home Missions. We recommend that hereafter the same sum be apportioned for Church Extension as shall be apportioned for Home and Foreign Missions.

On motion, adopted.

II. EMPORIA.

On motion, the following substitute was adopted:

Resolved, That we will use our utmost endeavors during the present Synodical year to raise the amount pledged at the meeting of the Synod at Eureka to

aid the mission at Emporia, and that we now recommend that church to the Board of Church Extension for immediate aid in securing a church property, and we recommend to the Board to appropriate whatever this Synod may raise during the present year in excess of its apportionment for Church Extension to the church at Emporia.

III. DENVER MISSION.

Resolved, That we have heard with great pleasure that the mission in Denver, Col., has begun the erection of a church building, and we extend to them our congratulations and prayers, and recommend that the appeal of this mission and their plan for raising funds be submitted to every congregation in the Synod that has not already responded to it before the year closes, and request every pastor to urge the importance of this work upon his people.

On motion, adopted.

IV.

WHEREAS, The General Synod, at its late meeting resolved to introduce a uniform Parochial Blank for use by all the Synods connected with that body; therefore, be it,

Resolved 1, That this Synod does hereby adopt the form of Parochial Blank furnished by the Statistical Secretary of the General Synod, the same to be substituted for those at present in use, and that any changes desired in that form shall be referred to the General Synod for action by that body.

Resolved 2, That we will use these blanks intact, placing in separate tables any additional statistical exhibits that this Synod may desire for completing any fuller record of its work.

On motion, adopted.

V. MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS.

Your committee to whom was assigned the duty of formulating some suitable expression of sympathy and bereavement in the death of Rev. A. A. Trimper, who died Sunday morning, December 28, 1884, at Lawrence, Kan., and in the more recent death of Mrs. Rev. S. P. Harrington, who departed this life September 13, 1885, at Abilene, Kan., would respectfully report the following resolutions for the adoption of this Synod:

Resolved, That in the death of Father Trimper, this Synod has lost a pure, noble and exemplary brother, a faithful preacher of the Gospel, a warm-hearted pastor, whose kindly presence has been like a benediction in many a home, and with the surviving members of his household, we mourn the loss of his genial presence and his lovely spirit, tendering to the widow and the fatherless our most heartfelt sympathy; and with them we would rejoice also that a merciful Providence permitted him to round out his life so beautifully, wearing the good man's crown adorned with the silvery locks of almost three score years and ten, and like a shock of corn fully ripe was gathered into the garner of God. So ended his life as he had lived, peacefully and trustingly;

and over his precious dust we would inscribe the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with our brother S. P. Harrington, in the irreparable loss he has sustained in the death of his beloved companion, Mrs. S. P. Harrington, in whose life and character we recognize the qualities of a noble Christian woman. Having for a quarter of a century endured patiently and uncomplainingly the privations and sacrifices of a western missionary, and having borne with Christian fortitude the long and lingering illness which terminated in her death, she passed to her reward with a faith that was steadfast, beautiful and triumphant.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished for publication in our church papers, and that a record of them be spread upon our minutes.

Adopted with a rising vote.

VI. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to purchase, at the expense of Synod, a suitable trunk for the safe-keeping of the records and archives of the Synod.

Adopted.

VII. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Synod receive a compensation of ten dollars for preparing the minutes for publication and transcribing them into the protocol.

Adopted.

VIII. *Resolved*, That eight hundred copies of the minutes be printed, and the same distributed by the Secretary among the different pastorates gratuitously, in proportion to the resident membership.

Adopted.

IX. *Resolved*, That we adopt the quarterly envelope system of benevolence, and that the officers of Synod be instructed to furnish the necessary circulars and envelopes at the expense of Synod.

Adopted.

X. *Resolved*, That the cordial thanks of this Synod are extended:

(*a*) To the Lutheran congregation and people of Peabody for their overflowing hospitality in the entertainment accorded to it.

(*b*) To the officials of the M. E. church for its courtesy in offering their beautiful and commodious church for the anniversaries of Home and Foreign Missions.

(*c*) That the President of Synod be instructed to convey this expression of thanks to the congregation at the close of the Sabbath evening service.

Adopted.

XI. *Resolved*, That a day and an evening be set apart during the next meeting of Synod for the exercises of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society Convention.

By unanimous vote adopted.

XII. *Resolved*, That we return our thanks, first, to the Emporia *Daily Republican* for gratuitous copies of said paper, and second, to the A., T. & S. F. R. R., for favors to clerical delegates to Synod.

Adopted.

XIII. *Resolved*, That this Synod has listened with pleasure to the remarks of Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Western Secretary; and, sympathizing with his suggestion concerning the establishment of a Western Theological Seminary, we commend to the Board of Education appointed by the last General Synod, the advisability of securing, if possible, the removal of the Theological Department at Springfield, Ohio, to the city of Chicago, with a view of concentrating all our Theological interests in the West at this point.

T. F. DORNBLASER,
F. R. SCHERER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 3—Admission of Churches.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows:

1. Is an application of St. Mark's English Lutheran church of Emporia, Kan., for admission into this body; the above congregation having complied fully with the requirements of the Kansas Synod, your Committee take pleasure in recommending their reception.

Adopted.

2. Item second relates to the Mount Zion Lutheran church of Dickinson county, Kan. This congregation, having been without a pastor for a length of time, and not represented at the meetings of Synod, was dropped from the roll. Now that they are again being resuscitated and served by a pastor, and represented on the floor of Synod, your Committee recommend that they be enrolled and recognized as a part of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. SCHAUER,
GEO. S. DIVEN,
D. SCHOLL.

Report adopted item by item.

During the pending motion on Emporia, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. G. D. Gotwald.

SEVENTH SESSION.

OCTOBER 23, 2 P. M.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. P. A. Heilman.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Rev. D. B. Shuey, of Emporia, Western Super-

intendent of Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church, was welcomed to Synod as correspoding member.

Report of committee on resolutions continued and items adopted. (See Minutes of previous session).

Rev. L. L. Uhl.

Your committee into whose hands was placed the report of Rev. L. L. Uhl, offer the following:

Resolved, That it is with pleasure that we have heard Rev. Bro. Uhl, and that we recommend

1. That we extend a hearty invitation to Bro. Uhl to spend as much time as possible visiting the churches within the bounds of this Synod, and that our pulpits are all open to him and glad to receive him; and that the pastors comply with Bro. Uhl's request to give him their address, number of congregations, railroad connections, and the practicability of holding week-day meetings.

Adopted.

2. That the subject of systematic benevolence be hereby brought to the attention of all our pastors and congregations.

Adopted.

3. That the contemplated college and seminary at Guntur, India, be brought to the attention of the members of the different congregations.

Adopted.

4. That we commend the contemplated hospital at Guntur to the prayerful consideration of the women of our church.

Adopted.

5. That we commend the *Missionary Journal* to all our members.

Adopted.

J. M. CROMER,
J. P. SCHNURE,
W. H. H. BARGER.

Adopted as a whole.

Report of Committee on Treasurer's Report.

Your Committee duly appointed, having carefully examined the Treasurer's report and vouchers, find the same correct.

D. HARBAUGH,
E. P. BRIGGS,
W. H. H. BARGER.

On motion, adopted.

Report of Committee on State of Religion.

Your committee on the State of Religion would respectfully report that fifteen pastors have presented written reports on this subject. These present various phases of church life. In general, they indicate a want of and desire for a higher spiritual life, more deep religious experience, more thorough con-

secration, leading to a greater devotion to religious work. The lack is that Christians do not make use of the means of grace, the word of God and the sacraments as they should in order that they might realize the most reasonable results in their personal and church life.

The secret of success in church work lies not alone in the outward appliances of buildings and pastors and the like, but in the heart, being so filled with love to God, that Christ in all the length and breadth of his righteous character may possess the *bodies* and *souls* of believers. This is the legitimate, the only fit preparation in pastors and people for the work they have to do. Some of the pastors mourn that there is not more spiritual life among their people, and long for the outpouring of the Spirit. To such, and to all, the promise is: "Seek and ye *shall* find, knock and it *shall* be opened." We need as a Synod to reach out, and become more aggressive in our church work, by *giving* more and *doing* more to plant the church in needy places. The undertaking of greater things for Christ will lead us nearer to Him, and to expect results such as He alone can bestow.

We need to spend more time in prayer and praise whilst together in convention. Thus we would be able to carry hence to our people such a glow of spiritual devotion as would quicken all the elements of church life, and enlarge their spiritual activity.

Respectfully submitted, J. P. SCHNURE,
ROBERT M. LADWIG.

On motion, adopted.

Report of Committee on Beneficiary Aid.

Your examining committee would submit the name of S. C. Chatmam, of Atchison, Kan., for aid to the amount of one hundred and fifty dollars, to aid him in prosecuting his studies at the Missionary Institute, with a view to the ministry of the gospel. Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. BOWERS,
I. J. DELO,
D. HARBAUGH,
W. C. SEIDEL,
H. B. BELMER.

On motion, adopted.

Report of Committee on Tressler Orphans' Home.

Your Committee on our Orphans' Home at Loysville, Pa., have to report that the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Carthage College on the same day of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Home, precluded attendance of the chairman of this committee at the latter meeting.

We both communicated with the Board, however, explaining the occasion of our absence, and assuring them of our good will and resolution to co-operate in the support of the Home.

A few weeks later the chairman of your Committee personally visited the

place of his nativity, and was greatly pleased with what he saw and heard. The new building, erected in 1884 at an expense of some $10,000, giving accommodation for 275 pupils, adds greatly to its value as a "home."

From intimate personal knowledge of its past history, as well as present management, your Committee has no hesitation in saying that it is most worthy, and highly deserving of your sympathy and support. Thinking it unnecessary to speak in detail of the purpose, the work and the need of the Home, we conclude this report by calling attention to the requests of the Board of its Trustees as presented by its President to the late meeting of the General Synod at Harrisburg, and adopted by it, and which your Committee recommend this Synod to adopt and conform to in the future, to wit: that the claims of the Loysville Home be presented to the delegates of the Synod, etc. (See minutes of General Synod.)

J. E. TRESSLER,
H. M. LENTZ.

Report adopted in full.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed consisting of Dr. J. E. Tressler, Rev. H. B. Belmer, and Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, to prepare a form of note for the signature of our beneficiaries.

Report of Committee to Draw up Blank.

Your Committee on form of note for the signature of beneficiaries offer the following form:

$. . . *Place*——*Date*——

——after date, for value received, I promise to pay to the Treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran church of the Lutheran Synod of Kansas, ———— dollars, with interest at 7 per cent. per annum until paid. It is understood, and hereby made a part of this contract, that the giver of this obligation is to enter the ministry of the General Synod Lutheran church, and faithfully labor therein. Should he voluntarily fail to do either, this promissory note must be fully and legally met, otherwise to be null and void.

[Name] ————

J. E. TRESSLER,
T. F. DORNBLASER,
A. M. GEIGER.

On motion, adopted.

On motion, the Treasurer of Synod was directed to have Rev. Robt. A. White sign notes to the amount of his receipts from this Synod.

On motion, Rev. H. Waitt, of the M. E. Church of Peabody, was presented to Synod, and welcomed to a seat as corresponding member.

The motion to adopt as a whole the new constitution was reconsidered. The following amended substitute was passed:

Resolved, That we lay the motion to adopt the report of the committee on revision of the Constitution as a whole, upon the table for one year, when the subject of Ministerium shall be decided.

Americus and Halstead.

On motion made and amended, the congregations at Halstead and Americus were dropped from the parochial table.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. Dr. G. A. Bowers.

EIGHTH SESSION.

OCTOBER 24, 1885, 9:15 A. M.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. H. B. Belmer, after one-half hour's devotional and consecration exercises, led by Rev. P. A. Heilman.

Roll was called and absentees noted.

Revs. S. B. Barnitz and W. M. Sparr were received as advisory members of this Synod.

Committee on Resolutions continued their report. (See Minutes of session sixth.)

On motion, Rev. S. B. Barnitz was invited to address Synod on the subject of Home Missions.

After the address it was

Resolved, That the suggestion of our Western Secretary, Rev. S. B. Barnitz, concerning the seminary at Chicago, be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Report of Committee No. 15—On Literature.

We recognize that the increasing success and spiritual welfare of the church depend largely upon the dissemination of Christian literature containing proper statements of the history, doctrines and practical working and enterprises of the Church, and we are impressed with a sense of the propriety and importance of encouraging and fostering the publication and circulation of our church literature for the information and edification of the people, to stimulate to good works and to counteract the pernicious influence of so many bad publications in the land; therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily commend the efforts of our Board of Publication in publishing recently so many good books, tracts and periodicals for the information of the Church, for the help of the Sunday-school, and to aid in advancing the benevolent operations and work of the Boards, which the Church is

so desirous to promote; and we will therefore give our cheerful and continuous patronage to this Board, and thus assist in the wider circulation of its literature.

2. *Resolved*, That we suggest to the Board of Publication the propriety, if possible, of a cheaper edition of some of its books and periodicals, and especially so as to the Book of Worship, and thus insure them wider circulation and more general use in all our churches.

3. *Resolved*, That we are particularly gratified with the publication of the *Missionary Journal*, which has in a few years grown to be a very sprightly and excellent monthly, and so meets the wants of our churches as to have a circulation of 9000. And as this is the only periodical in the General Synod which exclusively represents the great and growing missionary spirit of our Church in its operations through the Home and Foreign Mission and Church Extension Boards and our Woman's Society, and we hereby offer our hearty thanks to the faithful editors and editress of the *Journal* for their work, and that we will endeavor to have the *Journal* soon placed in every family in the Church.

4. *Resolved*, That we will hail with joy the day when the General Synod shall undertake through a corps of editors elected by itself the publication of a paper or papers which shall be in all respects a true exponent of the doctrines, practices and all the benevolent operations of the Church, and thus to secure greater unity in all our Christian enterprises and institutions, and the advancement of the means of usefulness in all our Boards.

A. M. GEIGER,
J. A. LOWE,
J. P. SCHNURE.

On motion, first three items adopted together.

On motion, the last item adopted.

Report of Committee on Correspondence.

Your Committee on Correspondence report letters from Rev. A. J. Hartsock, Rev. J. E. Maurer, and Rev. L. C. Groseclose, and recommend that these brethren be excused and the letter of Bro. Groseclose be read.

On motion, report was adopted and the letter read.

On motion, time of session was extended 15 minutes.

The Committee to whom was referred the matter of Rev. W. I. Cutter, offered a report which was on motion tabled.

Carthage College.

Of your trustees to Carthage College the undersigned alone attended its annual meeting, called in the usual manner to convene May 20th, 1885. I am sorry to have to report that no quorum appeared at that meeting, and after the performance of such duties as devolve upon the Executive Committee in the absence of a quorum, it was agreed by all the members of the Board present

to re-convene July 14th, 1885, in the expectation of then having a full meeting of the Board.

The reports of the President and Treasurer of the College exceeded the expectation of the Board, and demonstrated that with the cordial co-operation of the Church, the work at Carthage College could easily be made eminently successful.

At the meeting called for July 14th, a majority of the Board of Trustees reported, and such action was taken as the Board thought necessary to comply with the wishes of Synods regarding the *status quo* of all our interests at Carthage. The report of the work of a Committee appointed at that meeting is already in the hands of this Synod, and will doubtless be heard from in due time.

Respectfully submitted, J. E. TRESSLER.

On motion adopted.

The President of the Ladies' Convention offered the thanks of that body to Synod for the favors they had received from Synod, and Rev. M. F. Troxell replied on behalf of Synod, assuring them of the appreciation in which Synod held their work, and the cheerful manner in which Synod extended its favors.

Adjournment with prayer by Rev. W. M. Sparr.

NINTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 1885, 2 P. M.

Synod convened and opened with prayer by Rev. George S. Diven.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, resolution No. 12, of the report of Committee on Resolutions, was adopted.

On motion of Rev. P. A. Heilman,

WHEREAS, We have learned that Mr. S. B. Schauer, son of Rev. J. Schauer, desires to prepare for the ministry, but has not sufficient funds to prosecute his studies; therefore,

Resolved, That this Synod give him the assurance, if found worthy by the Examining Committee, of sufficient support to meet his wants.

Report of Committee on Vacant Churches.

Your Committee, No. 11, would report:

1st. That we have looked over the field of Synod and find the following

congregations vacant and without representation at this meeting of Synod: Bunker Hill, Ellsworth, Greenleaf, Halstead, Americus, and Hays City.

Concerning these, your Committee recommend that the President of Synod visit each one of these congregations, either in person or by proxy, at least once every three months, administer the sacrament of the holy communion, and lift collections for benevolence, instructing them also to send a representative to Synod.

Your Committee would also recommend that during this synodical year, and as early as possible, the following places be visited and such Lutheran material sought out and reported to Synod, and if thought advisable, recommended to the Board of Home Missions—Leavenworth, Wichita, Wellington, Eldorado, and Solomon City.

P. A. HEILMAN,
G. A. BOWERS,
GEO. D. GOTWALD.

On motion adopted.

Carthage College.

Your Committee in whose hands were placed the papers relating to Carthage College would report that, as there seems to be great dissatisfaction on the part of many as to present management of the institution, and uncertainty as to the title and ownership of the property, money and endowment in the case of Carthage College; and as it seems to be necessary immediately to determine legally the title and ownership of said property, and as this action can only be taken by the stockholders of Carthage College; therefore,

Resolved, That, for the purpose of determining the status of the institution and its affairs, this Synod transfer its stock of Carthage College to the trustees of said College from this Synod, with the power to vote or use it as in their judgment may seem best for the interest of the Synod, the Synod retaining, however, the power to recall the stock whenever it thinks best so to do.

A. M. GEIGER,
T. F. DORNBLASER,
F. D. ALTMAN.

Adopted.

Resolution No. 13, by the Committee on Resolutions, was adopted.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions was adopted, from which the following extract is taken:

1. Emporia has been supplied for some months by Rev. F. D. Altman as missionary, who reports the work as flourishing very hopefully. The early need of this congregation will be a house of worship.

2. Valley Falls, which has been carried on the vacant list for a number of years, has been successfully revived by the earnest efforts of Rev. A. M. Geiger, who, three months ago, entered this field at his own charges, and, having organized with a membership of forty-five, the field was visited, at his solicit-

ation, by the Western Secretary, who recommended the missionary to the favorable consideration of the Board of Home Missions; and your Committee rejoice in the resurrection of this congregation, which now promises to become one of our most promising missions.

3. That the missions at Atchison, Valley Falls and Emporia be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Board of Church Extension for aid in erecting suitable houses of worship.

4. That we commend the example of Salina Mission and their pastor, Rev. G. D. Gotwald, for asserting their independence of any further missionary aid.

5. That we urge upon Rev. J. Schauer to visit Bunker Hill and Hays City with a recommendation from this Synod, other things being agreeable, to become their pastor.

6. That we instruct Rev. A. J. Hesson to visit Wichita and other points in the southwestern part of the state at his earliest convenience, and report to the President of Synod and our Western Secretary the prospects of establishing churches in these points.

T. F. DORNBLASER,
GEO. A. BOWERS.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That our Secretary be and is hereby instructed to inform the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Carthage College, Mr. Geo. A. Anderson, of Quincy, Ill., concerning the fact of the election of our trustees one year ago, and also the fact that the stock of Carthage College owned by Kansas Synod has been transferred to the trustees from this Synod.

On motion, Synod appointed

Time and Place of Next Convention of Synod.

Time was fixed to open on Tuesday evening nearest the full moon, in October, 1886.

Place, Waterville, Kansas.

Temperance, Tobacco, and the Sabbath.

WHEREAS, It is with pleasure we mark the progress of temperance in the State of Kansas; therefore,

Resolved, That we recognize prohibition by constitutional amendment as a vital factor in the rapid development of a correct temperance sentiment.

Resolved, That we recognize any effort to secure re submission as a step backward, and whereas a growing interest has been prominently manifested in the evil effects of the use of tobacco; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge it as a duty upon the pastors of Synod to refrain from its use, and to present the sad consequences attendant upon the habitual use of tobacco, as opportunity affords.

WHEREAS, The tendency of the times is to make of the Sabbath day not only a day of rest, but a holiday and a day of pleasure, and often a day of dissipation; and, WHEREAS, Sunday railroad traffic, base-ball clubs, and Sunday

newspapers are running directly counter to the commands of God, and antagonistic to morality, religion and the best interests of society; therefore,

Resolved, That this Synod expresses its positive disapproval of Sunday railroad trains, and discountenances such travel and traffic, not only by refusing to travel ourselves, but counsel our people to do the same. We do most emphatically protest against the extreme desecration of the Lord's day, and the flagrant violation by base-ball clubs, not only of the word of God, but the sentiment of a Christian people, and lament also the influence of the Sunday newspapers, even on church members, necessitating boys to labor and traffic on the Lord's Day, and counsel our people to refrain from subscribing to or reading the same, believing if all Christians would withdraw their support, the Sunday newspapers would be discontinued.

P. A. HEILMAN,
D. HARBAUGH.

Adopted.

On motion, Synod adjourned to convene at the close of Preparatory service.

Prayer by Rev. D. B. Shuey.

TENTH SESSION.

Opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Bright.

On motion, the reading of minutes of previous session was omitted.

Report of Committee on Excuses.

Committee on Excuses reported the following names of persons to whom they had granted leave of absence:

Rev. H. M. Lentz, F. A. Smith, Dan'l Dornblaser, Robt. Ladwig, S. C. Chatham.

J. M. CROMER,
F. R. SCHERER,
S. C. CHATHAM.

Adopted.

On motion, Synod adjourned to meet on Monday, 8 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. M. F. Rinker.

ELEVENTH SESSION.

OCTOBER 26, 1885, 8 A. M.

After a quarter of an hour of devotion led by Rev. G. S. Diven, Synod opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Lowe.

Roll was called and absentees noted.

Minutes read and adopted.

On motion, Rev. S. P. Harrington was granted leave of absence.

A letter was read from Rev. C. A. Eyler, Secretary of the Iowa Synod, on the action of that body in regard to Western Theological Seminary. On motion, the Secretary of this Synod was directed to answer the letter and inform the writer of the action of this Synod.

Report of Committee on Apportionment was read and approved.

Report of Committee on Parochial Reports read and approved.

Synod adjourned with reading of 133d Psalm and prayer by the President.

J. A. LOWE, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

OCTOBER 23, 1885, 4:45 P. M.

First session was called according to adjournment of Synod.

Report of Executive Committee.

There have been placed in our hands—

1st. The license certificate of Rev. Robt. A. White, and a MS. sermon by him. The sermon is a fair production, and gives evidence of diligent study. We recommend the renewal of Bro. White's license for one year.

2d. Two MSS. by Mr. M. F. Rinker, of Emporia, Kan., which are designed to illustrate his method of handling the Word of God for the edification of souls.

We have also had a colloquium with Bro. Rinker, with a view to his licensure. We recommend that he be licensed for one year, believing that Bro. Rinker possesses abilities which will make him a successful worker in the Gospel ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

I. J. DELO,
G. A. BOWERS,
W. C. SEIDEL,
D. HARBAUGH,
H. B. BELMER.

Adopted item by item, and as a whole.

On motion, Ministerium adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

Prayer by Rev. A. B. Kirtland.

SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 5:20 P. M.

Ministerium opened with prayer by Rev. A. B. Kirtland.

Minutes of previons meeting read and adopted.

On motion, President was directed to recommend a course of

reading to licentiate Rev. M. F. Rinker, with the understanding that he will be examined therein at the end of the year.

Approval of minutes of this session.

Prayer by Rev. F. R. Scherer.

Adjournment.

J. A. LOWE, *Secretary.*

Summarized Statement of the Treasurer's Report.

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Received during this Synodical Year:	
Received for Home Missions	$310 23
" Foreign Missions	259 55
" Church Extension	342 57
" Beneficiary Education	153 75
" Synodical Treasury	62 21
" General Synod Treasury	22 63
" Orphans' Home	11 00
" Pastors' Fund Society	1 54
Total	$1163 48

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Amount paid to Home Missions	$283 68
" Foreign Missions	250 50
" Church Extension	293 30
" Beneficiary Education	166 58
" Synodical Treasury	94 88
" General Synod Treasury	22 63
" Orphans' Home	10 00
Treasury overdrawn at last report	3 00
Balance in Treasury	38 91
Total	$1163 48

Respectfully submitted, J. E. TRESSLER, *Treasurer.*

Report of Apportionment Committee.

The Committee on Apportionment have to report that they have distributed $1332.00 as follows:

1. Synodical Treasury, 8 cents per member	$118 40
2. General Synod Treasury, 2 cents per member	29 60
3. Home Missions Treasury, 20 cents per member	296 00
4. Foreign Missions Treasury, 20 cents per member	296 00
5. Beneficiary Education Treasury, 20 cents per member	296 00
6. Church Extension Treasury, 20 cents per member	296 00

We herewith recommend:

That at least 5 cents per member be raised for the Orphans' Fund, and 5 cents per member for the Fund for Disabled Pastors during the year.

We are happy to say that this will then only aggregate one dollar per member.

W. C. SEIDEL,
P. A. HEILMAN.

Apportionment Paid 1884-1885.

PASTORATES.	PASTORS.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Beneficiary Education.	Synodical Treasury.	Gen. Synod Treasury.	Orphans' Home.	Pastors' Fund.	Totals.
Abilene	Rev. Bowers	$26 81	$26 81	$67 89	$19 19	$7 15	$1 53			$149 38
Atchison	Rev. Diven	15 90	10 10	8 00	11 00	4 45	23	$1 00	$1 54	52 22
Bunker Hill		5 52								5 52
Denver	Rev. Heilman	4 14								4 14
East Norway	Rev. Martin	9 25	10 00	6 25	6 50	2 50	1 00			35 50
Ellsworth		1 00	50	75		50	75			3 50
Emporia	Rev. Altman	3 75	2 90	6 50	65	95				14 75
Eureka	Rev. Lentz	28 11	12 40	53 85	17 25	4 75	1 00			117 36
Greenleaf	Rev. Schauer	6 78	2 65	2 00	2 50	1 00	1 50			16 43
Hays City	(Per Rev. Barnitz)	1 42								1 42
Hardy	Rev. Maurer	6 50	6 50	5 92	3 00	1 50				23 42
Kansas City (1st)	Rev. Cromer	30 00	5 00	10 00	3 50	2 50	2 50			53 50
" (2d)	Rev. Troxell	12 02	8 05	1 00		1 00				22 07
Lawrence	Rev. Delo	11 16	10 61	6 42	11 86	2 56	55			43 16
Lincoln	Rev. Bright	51	4 00	6 00	1 50	1 99	1 00			15 00
Minneapolis	Rev. Seidel	13 08	8 41	10 95	6 28	2 97	1 42			43 11
New Cambria	Rev. Kirtland	18 02	17 02	11 37	12 14	4 53	1 00			64 08
Newton	Rev. Acker	6 00	6 03	4 70	4 00	1 12	55			22 40
Ottawa City	Rev. Henry	2 50	2 50							5 00
" Country	Rev. Altman	2 50	2 50			21				5 21
Peabody	Rev. Belmer	15 03	50 79	60 00	15 66	4 00	1 00	10 00		156 48
Salina	Rev. Gotwald	34 11	31 11	37 50	24 00	8 73	2 12			137 57
Topeka	Rev. Dornblaser	16 01	16 01	3 15		4 27	5 17			44 61
Valley Falls	Rev. Geiger	3 45								3 45
Waterville	Rev. Lowe	18 35	18 35	37 10	11 30	4 25	1 00			90 35
Vineland	Rev. Scholl	4 81	4 81	3 22	3 42	1 28	31			17 85
W. C.	Rev. Hartsock	10 00								10 00
"	Bro. Kugler	2 50	2 50							5 00
"	Rev. Young	1 00								1 00
		$310 23	$259 55	$342 57	$153 75	$62 21	$22 63	$11 00	$1 54	$1163 48

Apportionment Table.

Names of Pastors.	Names of Pastorates.	Members.	Synodical Treasury.	Gen. Synod Fund.	Home Mission Fund.	For. Mission Fund.	Church Ex. Fund.	Beneficiary Education.	Total.
Rev. C. Martin, M. D.	East Norway	54	$4 32	$1 08	$10 80	$10 80	$10 80	$10 80	$48 60
" Geo. A. Bowers, D. D.	Abilene	140	11 20	2 80	28 00	28 00	28 00	28 00	126 00
" W. C. Seidel.	Minneapolis	60	4 80	1 20	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	54 00
" J. M. Cromer	Kansas City	108	8 64	2 16	21 60	21 60	21 60	21 60	97 20
" T. F. Dornblaser	Topeka	98	7 84	1 96	19 60	19 60	19 60	19 60	88 20
" M. F. Troxell.	Kansas City	25	2 00	50	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	22 50
" I. J. Delo.	Lawrence	45	3 60	90	9 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	40 50
" Geo. D. Gotwald	Salina	129	10 32	2 58	25 80	25 80	25 80	25 80	116 10
" A. Lowe	Waterville	72	5 76	1 44	14 40	14 40	14 40	14 40	64 80
	Eureka	64	5 12	1 28	12 80	12 80	12 80	12 80	57 60
Rev. D. Scholl	Vineland	28	2 24	56	5 60	5 60	5 60	5 60	25 20
" A. B. Kirtland	New Cambria	100	8 00	2 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	90 00
" P. A. Heilman	Denver	23	1 84	46	4 60	4 60	4 60	4 60	20 70
" G. S. Diven.	Atchison	40	3 20	80	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	36 00
" W. I. Cutter	Atchison	23	1 84	46	4 60	4 60	4 60	4 60	20 70
" S. Henry.	Ottawa	35	2 80	70	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	31 50
" H. B. Belmer	Peabody	55	4 40	1 10	11 00	11 00	11 00	11 00	49 50
" H. Acker	Newton.	20	1 60	40	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	18 00
" J. E. Maurer	Hardy	34	2 72	68	6 80	6 80	6 80	6 80	30 60
" J. A. Bright.	Ellsworth	40	3 20	80	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	36 00
	Annelly.	19	1 52	38	3 80	3 80	3 80	3 80	17 10
Rev. N. A. Whitman	Ebenezer	69	5 52	1 38	13 80	13 80	13 80	13 80	62 10
" F. D. Altman	Emporia	26	2 08	52	5 20	5 20	5 20	5 20	23 40
" J. P. Schnure	Morrill	46	3 68	92	9 20	9 20	9 20	9 20	41 40
" B. F. Hills	Mt. Zion	15	1 20	30	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	13 50
" A. M. Geiger	Valley Falls	45	3 60	90	9 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	40 50
	Greenleaf	22	1 76	44	4 40	4 40	4 40	4 40	19 80
	Bunker Hill	45	3 60	90	9 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	40 50
		1480	$118 40	$29 60	$296 00	$296 00	$296 00	$296 00	$1332 00

W. C. SEIDEL, P. A. HEILMAN.

Sermons and Addresses.

Tuesday Evening—Annual Synodical Sermon, Rev. M. F. Troxell.

Wednesday Evening—Education, Rev. W. C. Seidel.

Thursday Evening—Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society Anniversary, conducted by their President, Mrs. J. Schauer. Addresses by Revs. L. L. Uhl and P. A. Heilman.

Friday Evening—Foreign Missions, Revs. M. F. Troxell and L. L. Uhl.

Saturday, 4 p. m.—Preparatory Service, Rev. J. P. Schnure.

Saturday, 7.30 p. m.—Home Missions, Revs. I. J. Delo, and S. B. Barnitz.

Sunday, 9.30 a. m.—Sunday-school general exercises and talks by Revs. T. F. Dornblaser, G. S. Diven, P. A. Heilman, and J. A. Bright.

Sunday, 10.45 a. m.—Communion Service, Rev. S. Henry.

Sunday, 3.30 p. m.—Children's Mass Meeting, Revs. S. B. Barnitz, L. L. Uhl, M. F. Troxell.

Sunday, 7.30 p. m.—Ordination Sermon, Rev. J. M. Cromer.

APPOINTMENTS FOR OTHER CHURCHES.

Sunday, 10.30 a. m.—Presbyterian church, Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D.

Sunday, 7.30 p. m.—Presbyterian church, Rev. F. D. Altman.

Sunday, 10.30 a. m.—Methodist church, Rev. P. A. Heilman.

Sunday, 7.30 p. m.—Methodist church, Rev. S. B. Barnitz.

Sunday, 10.30 a. m.—Baptist church, Rev. I. J. Delo.

Sunday, 7.30 p. m.—Baptist church, Rev. G. D. Gotwald.

H. B. BELMER,
M. F. TROXELL,
J. E. TRESSLER.

PAROCHIAL REPORT.

NAMES OF PASTORATES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	Organized Churches	Regular Preaching Places Unorganized	Church Papers, *Missionary Journals*, Reviews—No. of Copies Taken	Infant Baptisms	Accessions by: Adult Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Renewal of Profession of Faith	Restoration	Losses by: Death	Certificate	Irregular Removal	Expulsion	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Prayer-meetings	Catechumens	Sunday-schools: Lutheran	Union	Teachers	Scholars	Papers and Journals	Contributions	Contributions: Synodical Treasury	General Synod Fund	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Beneficiary Education	Woman's Missionary Society	Children's Missionary Society	Fund for Indigent and Disabled Pastors	Orphans' Home	Bible Cause	General Benevolence	Pastors' Salary	Local Objects	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Excess	Deficit
Abilene	Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D.	1			5		6	7			2	3	4		140	13	1	22	1		21	200	163	$223 43	$9 52	$2 04	$31 28	$31 28	$21 76	$27 20	$52 25				$20 00	$57 00			$350 00	$825 76	$123 08	$175 33	$52 25	
Annelly	Rev. H. Acker	1					2					3			19	1			1	1	6	40	28	20 00	2 00	55	5 65	5 00	6 95	4 30									44 45	18 10	24 45	6 35	
Atchison	Rev. Geo. S. Diven	1		25	5		7	3	24				2		40	3	1	24	1		13	175	200	100 00	2 45	23	13 90	8 10	7 00	11 00	12 50		$1 54	$1 00		10 00	$700 00	500 00	1367 72	13 58	45 22	31 64	
Bunker Hill*		1																																								
Denver, Colorado	Rev. P. A. Heilman	1		54	5		3		20			1	3		20	3	1	10	1		5	52	56	30 10	1 26	27	10 14	4 14	2 88	3 60	6 56	$11 67	1 35	1 40	1 00		1400 00	137 92	1606 19	16 29	19 04	2 73	
East Norway	Rev. C. Martin, M. D.	1		13	6		1	1							54	4	1	13	1	1	7	46	40		3 75	1 00	15 25	40 25	11 50	13 25	36 80								121 80	47 97	96 80	48 83	
Ebenezer (Dickinson County)	Rev. N. A. Whitman	2		12	7		4	15							69	8	1		1		5	70	65	19 45	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 16	2 00	4 00						600 00	136 00	748 16		12 16	12 16	
Emporia‖	Rev. F. D. Altman	1		13	7		3	4	19						26		1		1		7	68	80	10 50	3 00	2 00	7 25	7 00	7 00	7 00	3 00					9 00	800 00	50 00	330 75		33 25	33 25	
Ellsworth*		1																																								
Eureka	Rev. H. M. Lentz	1		30	2	1	4	3		1		3	4	3	64	6	1		1		9	70	89	89 15	4 75	1 00	23 11	7 50	13 85	17 25	11 00	7 80			5 00	20 50	600 00	334 44	1135 35	59 73	86 26	26 53	
Hardy	Rev. J. E. Maurer	1	2	23				2						1	34		2			2	12	100	80		1 00	1 00	9 00	9 00	5 00	4 00						77 50	90 00	196 50	27 96	29 00	1 04	
Kansas City (First)	Rev. J. M. Cromer	1		50	6	1	1	16	9		1	5		1	108	8	1	18	1		12	125	200	150 00	6 09		20 00		6 26	17 40	20 00					30 00	1500 00	100 00	1847 75	78 74	49 75		$28 99
Kansas City (Memorial)	Rev. M. F. Troxell	1		10	4			12	2			1			25		1		1		8	158	110	120 09	1 60		5 77	5 50	10 00	4 60	10 00				1 00	10 00	900 00	5762 70	6711 17	10 86	27 47	16 61	
Lawrence	Rev. I. J. Delo	1		12	13			4	3				9		45	1		20	1		10	134	100	126 60	3 50	1 00	12 55	11 85	21 50	12 55			1 00				507 70	385 42	1083 67	42 54	63 95	21 41	
Minneapolis	Rev. W. C. Seidel	2	1	25	8	1	4	6	10				3		60	4	1	10	2		9	95	193	28 50	3 50	76	11 04	21 04	20 00	10 00	1 00					10 00	250 00	2241 30	2558 65	41 44	56 35	14 91	
Morrill‡	Rev. J. P. Schnure	1		15				1							46		1		1		6	53	23	15 00	1 00												40 00	17 45	73 45		1 00	1 00	
Mt. Zion (Dickinson County)	Rev. B. F. Hills	1	1					1							15	1			1		6	45			1 00		2 00	1 00	2 00								300 00	9 45	315 45		6 00	6 00	
New Cambria	Rev. A. B. Kirtland	2		32	12	6	7	12	6			1	2		100	20	2		1	1	13	100	120	50 00	6 30	1 35	15 00	15 00	11 00	11 75							500 00	3000 00	3560 40	80 45	60 40		20 05
Ottawa	Rev. S. Henry	1			3	1			40						35	5	1	10	1						2 07	30	7 10	7 10	3 20	4 00							800 00	800 00	1621 77	18 10	23 77	5 69	
Peabody	Rev. H. B. Belmer	1		34	3		2	7	1		2		1		55	2	1	20	1		8	90	275	58 01	4 00	1 00	15 03	50 70	60 00	15 66	20 25			10 00		75 00	800 00	3687 90	3958 52	45 28	140 39	101 14	
Salina‡	Rev. G. D. Gotwald	1	1	32	1			4							129		1		1		11	115	255	45 00	3 50	1 00	11 50	11 50	27 50	10 00	44 00						700 00	133 50	362 50	100 67	65 00		35 67
Topeka	Rev. T. F. Dornblaser	1	1	25	5	3	5	2	19		2	14	13		98	40	1	7	1		12	144	100	65 00	5 00	4 26	12 57	$35 25	18 37	6 87	25 00	10 25			3 80	4 50		2200 04	2390 85	88 69	82 32		6 37
Valley Falls †	Rev. A. M. Geiger	1													45												3 45										700 00				3 45	3 45	
Vineland	Rev. D. Scholl	1	1	8	1										28	2			1		4	30	35	5 00	1 50	50	4 50	5 00	3 50	2 00	1 00			50			110 00	16 00			26 35	19 00		7 35
Waterville	Rev. J. A. Lowe	3		35	6		1		2		3	1	6		72		1	10	1	2	20	150	50	30 00	5 46	1 17	10 00	10 00	8 92	15 60	48 05					10 00	450 00	1767 70	2307 75	70 59	51 15		19 44
	Rev. F. R. Scherer																								50		50	1 00	1 00	1 00								4 00		4 00	4 00	
	Rev. J. A. Bright		3		22	1																			1 00		2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00							10 00		10 00	10 00	
	Rev. D. S. Altman		1																						1 00		2 00	2 00											5 00		5 00	5 00	
	Rev. H. Heigard																																						5 00		5 00	5 00	
	Rev. A. J. Hartsock																																						5 00		5 00	5 00	
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Greenleaf *		1																																								
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* Vacant. † Report for one month. ‡ Report for three months. ‖ Report for four months. § Mrs. J. B. McAfee, for education of student in India, $25.00

F. D ALTMAN, A. J. HESSON, A. J. JOHNSON, *Committee.*

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE

KANSAS SYNOD,

HELD AT

Peabody, Kansas, October 22 and 23, 1885.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The first session of the Fifth Synodical Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod met in the M. E. Church of Peabody, at 9:30 a. m., October 22, 1885.

The devotional service was conducted by Miss E. L. Bitler, of Topeka, Kansas.

The President, Mrs. A. J. Kissell, having removed from the bounds of the Synod, Mrs. M. J. Schauer, Vice President, called the meeting to order, and appointed Mrs. F. D. Altman Secretary, and Mrs. J. E. Herbst Treasurer *pro tem.*

The roll was called, credentials of delegates presented, and their names enrolled.

The address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. L. L. Belmer, of Peabody, to which Miss Anna Baird, of Salina, responded.

The President appointed the following committees:

No. 1. *On Nominations*—Mrs. J. B. Waltemeyer, Miss Sarah Grossman, Mrs. L. L. Belmer, Mrs. W. H. H. Barger, Mrs. Henry Schell.

No. 2. *On Resolutions*—Miss Dr. S. Kleckner, Mrs. M. F. Stewart, Mrs. Geo. D. Gotwald, Miss E. V. Sommerlott.

No. 3. *Auditing Committee*—Mrs. J. E. Herbst, Miss E. L. Bitler, Mrs. Angus Lowe.

On motion, the President appointed Mrs. M. F. Stewart to report for the *Lutheran Evangelist*, Mrs. O. J. Peters for the Peabody papers, and Mrs. Henry Schell for the *Lutheran Observer*.

On motion, it was decided that the money collected at the evening meeting should be given to Denver, together with what was already in the treasury, reserving only enough for expenses.

After singing and prayer, the meeting adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Afternoon session was opened with a devotional service, led by Mrs. J. B. Waltemeyer, of Atchison, Kansas.

The President then read her annual address. It was very interesting.

The report was received.

A most encouraging report of the work during the year was given by Mrs. O. J. Peters, Corresponding Secretary, showing a gain of six auxiliaries, an addition of eighty-four members, and an increase in the contributions of $117.97.

The report was as follows:

Report of Corresponding Secretary,

FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1885.

AUXILIARIES.	Organized.	Members. Active.	Members. Honorary	Members. Life.	Number of Missionary Journals taken.	General Fund.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Denver.	Special Objects.	Total Contributions.
Abilene	1881	41	1	.	22	. . . .	$5 00	$10 00	$34 00	$3 25	$52 25
Salina	1882	26	3	.	19	$21 00	6 00	6 00	8 00	3 00	44 00
Topeka	1881	15	.	3	15	10 00	. . .	. . .	6 00	10 00	26 00
Kansas City (Memorial)	1884	16	7	.	10	10 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	1 00	11 00
Kansas City (1st church)	1884	27	.	.	13	10 00	. . .	. . .	10 00	. . .	20 00
East Norway	1881	17	2	.	12	10 00	8 00	10 00	8 00	1 50	37 50
Atchison	1885	16	3	1	11	10 00	. . .	2 00	4 50	. . .	14 50
Waterville	1884	13	2	.	6	20 30	. . .	. . .	6 00	1 00	29 30
Pleasant Hill	1879	10	5	.	10	11 50	2 25	. . .	4 00	3 00	20 75
Greenleaf	1882	10	2	.	7	. . . .	. . .	. . .	2 00	1 50	3 50
Eureka	1882	10	2	.	17	. . . .	10 00	. . .	8 50	1 80	20 30
Emporia	1885	9	1	.	7	. . . .	. . .	. . .	2 00	. . .	2 00
Ottawa	1885	20	.	.	18	. . . .	. . .	. . .	4 43	. . .	4 43
Denver	1885	18	1	.	15	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	4 46	4 46
Peabody	1885	19	9	.	21	. . . .	. . .	. . .	20 25	. . .	20 25
		267	38	4	203	$102 80	$31 25	$28 00	$117 68	$30 51	$310 24

Respectfully submitted, MRS. O. J. PETERS.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Bright, the report was read by Mrs. J. E. Herbst, as follows:

Report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society for the Synodical Year Ending Oct. 1, 1885.

Received from Treas. W. H. & F. M. at	For Denver.	For Home Missions.	For Foreign Missions.	For General Fund.	For Synodical Treasury.
Abilene, Kansas	$20 00	$5 00	$10 00	. . .	$3 25
Atchison, Kansas	3 00	4 00	6 00	. . .	95
East Norway, Kansas	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	1 80
Emporia, Kansas	2 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .
Greenleaf, Kansas	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	2 50
Kansas City, Mo., First church	20 75	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial	. . .	. . .	. . .	15 00	1 00
Peabody, Kansas	20 25	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .
Pleasant Hill, Kansas	. . .	5 75	5 75	. . .	. . .
Salina, Kansas	8 00	6 00	6 00	21 00	3 00
Topeka, Kansas	1 00	. . .	. . .	5 00	. . .
Waterville, Kansas	6 00	. . .	. . .	8 30	. . .
Mrs. A. J. Kissell, former Treasurer	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	14 10
Total Receipts	$81 00	$20 75	$27 75	$49 30	$26 60
Disbursed	54 25	16 75	23 75	41 00	22 55
Balance in Treasury	$26 75	$4 00	$4 00	$8 30	$4 05

Total amount received during the year	205 40
Total Disbursements	158 30
Balance in the Treasury	$47 10

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. A. BRIGHT,

Ellsworth, Kansas, October 19, 1885. *Treasurer.*

Greetings were received from Mrs. J. S. Detweiler, President of General Synodical Society; Mrs. Fanny Rastall, of Burlingame, Kan., President of State W. C. T. U.; Mrs. P. A. Heilman, of Denver; Mrs. A. V. Hunter, President of W. H. and F. M. S. of Northern Indiana Synod, and Mrs. J. W. Kimmel, of Auburn, Neb.

Rev. L. L. Uhl, of Guntur, India, and Rev. P. A. Heilman, of Denver, were introduced, and extended warm and hearty greetings, after which the congregation united in singing, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

A paper on "Missions" was read by Mrs. J. E. Herbst, of Abilene, Kan. This was followed by another, "What is Heaven?" written by Mrs. A. C. Carmany, of Salina, Kan., and read by Mrs. G. D. Gotwald.

Reports of delegates were then received from fifteen societies; fourteen gave an account of the work, showing increased interest and substantial growth.

The exercises of the afternoon closed with singing, and prayer by Rev. L. L. Uhl.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. O. J. Peters, of Abilene, Kan., after which the Scripture lesson from Isaiah was read by Mrs. M. J. Schauer, of Greenleaf, Kan. Singing, "Coronation."

Prayer by Miss E. L. Bitler, Topeka, Kan.

Rev. L. L. Uhl delivered a very comprehensive and instructive address on Foreign Missions. One stanza of "Greenland's Icy Mountains," was sung. "The relation between the Church and its Home Missionaries" was expressed, plainly and forcibly, by Rev. P. A. Heilman.

Rev. H. B. Belmer, made an appeal to the women of Peabody to organize a W. H. and F. M. S., to which seventeen ladies responded, and seven gentlemen gave their names as honorary members.

A collection was lifted, which amounted to $35.00, for Denver Mission.

Singing, "Doxology," and prayer by Rev. F. D. Altman.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional service conducted by Miss Anna Baird, of Salina.

An essay, "The Hand of God in the History of Missions," was read by Miss S. J. Grossman, Kansas City (Memorial).

Singing, "Waft, Waft, ye Winds, the Story."

Synod came in a body to extend fraternal greetings to the Convention.

Rev. M. F. Troxell, President of Synod, Dr. G. A. Bowers, and Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, made some appropriate and complimentary remarks.

By request, the Corresponding Secretary re-read her report.

Mrs. Henry Schell, of First Church, Kansas City, read a paper on "Woman's Influence."

This was followed by a paper, "How shall we procure the means to carry on our work," prepared by Mrs. M. F. Stewart, of Peabody, Kansas.

In the absence of Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser, delegate to General Synodical Convention at York, Pa.. Mrs. M. J. Schauer, read her report.

On motion, this valuable report was received.

A paper written by Miss Della Scherer, of Waterville, Kansas, on "What Shall the Harvest be?" was read by Mrs. O. J. Peters.

After singing and prayer by Rev. M. F. Troxell, the meeting adjourned at 11 a. m., in order to organize an auxiliary society at Peabody.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The devotional service of the afternoon was conducted by Mrs. W. H. H. Barger, of Eureka, Kansas.

The paper read in the morning session, on "How shall we procure means to carry forward the work," was discussed, and some good suggestions offered.

On motion, it was decided to hold a session on Saturday morning to afford more time for the discussion of papers and business.

Miss Dr. S. Kleckner, of Ottawa, Kansas, read a paper on the subject, "Christ Our Pattern."

This was followed by an essay on "Little Things," by Mrs. F. D. Altman, of Emporia.

Singing, "Work, for the Night is Coming."

Mrs. J. A. Lowe, of Waterville, Kansas, then read a paper entitled "The Pastor's Wife."

Report of Committee on Nominations.

President—Mrs. M. J. Schauer, Greenleaf, Kan.

Vice Presidents—1st, Mrs. J. B. Waltemeyer, Atchison, Kan.; 2d, Mrs. T. L. Bond, Salina, Kan.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. F. D. Altman, Emporia, Kan.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. O. J. Peters, Abilene, Kan.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. E. Herbst, Abilene, Kan.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY SCHELL,
MISS SARAH GROSSMAN,
MRS. L. L. BELMER,
MRS. W. H. H. BARGER.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Resolved, That we express the gratitude of our hearts for the progress of our work; that we urge all societies to renewed labor, and hope all our pastors will co-operate with the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Resolved, That it is with a feeling of sadness we record the death of Mrs. Rev. S. P. Harrington, of Abilene, Kan. We humbly bow in submission to the will of Him, "Who doeth all things well," and extend to the bereaved husband Christian sympathy.

Resolved, That we make a new and special effort in behalf of the *Lutheran Missionary Journal*, and that we use our utmost endeavor to place it in every family of the church.

Resolved, That this Convention express its hearty sympathy with the work of the W. C T. U., and pledge our co-operation in securing educational "Temperance laws."

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the valuable reports of our worthy President, Mrs. M. J. Schauer, and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. J. Peters, read in our convention.

Resolved, That we express our sincere thanks to the ladies of Peabody for their kind and hospitable entertainment of delegates and visitors, and to Mrs. M. F. Stewart and Willie Sigmund, for their assistance at the organ.

Resolved, That our thanks be tendered to the pastor and members of the M. E. Church, for the use of their house of worship for the sessions of our convention.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. SALLIE KLECKNER,
MRS. GEO. D. GOTWALD,
MISS E. V. SOMMERLOTT,
MRS. M. F. STEWART.

Adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your Committee appointed to examine the credentials of the delegates to this convention, find them genuine and correct. It also affords us great pleasure to commend the spirited address of our President, and would endorse all the recommendations therein contained, especially in rendering prompt and substantial aid to Denver mission, and helping to build a "Woman's Hospital" in India.

We also commend the report of our delegate to the General Synod Convention, held at York, Pa., as a very clear, concise and ably written paper, as well as that of our efficient Corresponding Secretary of this Society, for the full and correct statistics of the growth of the W. H. and F. M. Auxiliary Societies in connection with this Synod.

In auditing the Treasurer's report, we find it to be substantially correct. There remains in her hands a balance of forty-seven dollars and ten cents.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. E. HERBST,
MRS. J. A. LOWE,
MISS E. L. BITLER.

Report was adopted.

On motion, the offer of Synod to print our minutes, in connection with theirs, was accepted.

A bill of four dollars for printing programmes was presented, and the Treasurer instructed to pay the amount.

On motion, five dollars was ordered to be paid the Corresponding Secretary, for stationery.

Exercises closed by singing and prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional services conducted by Mrs. J. G. Schmucker, of Eldorado, Kansas.

The following subjects were presented for general discussion: "District Conventions," "Practical means of working," "Time of meetings."

On motion, Mrs. O. J. Peters was directed to write an historical sketch of this Synodical organization, to be copied in the Recording Secretary's book, as past records had been destroyed.

The Treasurer *pro tem.* reported thirty-seven dollars and eighteen cents received, and had paid by order nine dollars, leaving a balance of $28:18.

On motion, twenty dollars from the Synodical Treasury, and the thirty-five dollars lifted on Thursday evening, were appropriated to the Woman's Mission at Denver, Colorado.

On motion, the minutes were adopted as a whole, and the Secretary authorized to prepare an abstract for publication.

Space does not permit an abstract of the papers read. The sessions were all well attended. Ladies of sister churches in Peabody were present and extended greetings. All felt that the Fifth Annual Convention of Kansas Synodical Society had been a grand success.

The next meeting will be held at Waterville, Kansas, in connection with Synod.

The exercises concluded by singing, "Sow in the morn thy seed," and prayer by Mrs. M. J. Schauer.

MRS. F. D. ALTMAN,
Secretary pro tem.

Enrollment.

Abilene:	Mrs. J. E. Herbst,
	Mrs. A. Lescher,
	Miss Carrie Lescher,
	Mrs. O. J. Peters.
Annelly:	Mrs. H. Acker.
Atchison:	Miss E. V. Sommerlott,
	Mrs. J. B. Waltemeyer.
Eldorado:	Mrs. J. G. Schmucker.
Emporia:	Mrs. F. D. Altman,
	Miss A. Boorey,
	Mrs. J. C. Helt,
	Mrs. W. W. Kremer,
	Miss G. C. Kremer.
Eureka:	Mrs. W. H. H. Barger.
Greenleaf:	Mrs. M. J. Schauer.
Kansas City (1st Church):	Mrs. Henry Schell.
Kansas City (Memorial):	Miss S. J. Grossman.
Ottawa:	Miss Dr. S. Kleckner.
Peabody:	Mrs. L. L. Belmer.
Salina:	Miss Anna Baird,
	Mrs. G. D. Gotwald.
Topeka:	Miss E. L. Bitler.
Waterville:	Mrs. J. A. Lowe,
	Mrs. W. Spohn.

MRS. F. D. ALTMAN,
Secretary pro tem.

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